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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Development Division, OSA

ATTENTION:

SUBJECT: A-12 Pilot's Viewfinder

1. The pilots have had their first introduction to the installed viewfinder and route-strip maps. As could be expected, several comments were made relative to improving the installation. The one which I believe is deserving of immediate attention is the extremely critical position of the pilot's head and eyes. A very minute movement in any direction causes a complete loss of view of material being displayed by the viewfinder.

2. I personally examined subject instrument on a recent visit and had doubts about this feature being practical, but deliberately avoided mentioning it to anyone, until the actual drivers reaction could be obtained.

3. It is requested that this matter be discussed with the manufacturer to see if a wider field of vision position can be engineered into this instrument.

4. Please advise this office regarding status of subject viewfinder upon determination of extent of problem and/or resolution.

Chief, Operations Division, OSAOSA/OD/OXC/ (25 Feb 63)

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